

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A lamp shade, comprising:

a shade; and

a support structure mounted in the shade for supporting the shade, the

5 support structure including:

a first ring fixed on a first end of the shade;

a second ring fixed on a second end of the shade; and

an elastic member mounted between the first ring and the second
ring.

10 2. The lamp shade in accordance with claim 1, wherein the shade is
made of flexible material.

3. The lamp shade in accordance with claim 1, wherein the shade is
made of cloth.

15 4. The lamp shade in accordance with claim 1, wherein the support
structure is foldable.

5. The lamp shade in accordance with claim 1, wherein the elastic
member of the support structure has a substantially helical shape.

6. The lamp shade in accordance with claim 1, wherein the elastic
member of the support structure has a first end secured to the first ring and a
20 second end secured to the second ring.

7. The lamp shade in accordance with claim 1, wherein the elastic member of the support structure has a periphery rested on an inner periphery of the shade to expand of the shade.

5 8. The lamp shade in accordance with claim 1, wherein the elastic member of the support structure is folded between the first ring and the second ring when the first ring is pressed toward the second ring.

9. The lamp shade in accordance with claim 1, wherein the elastic member of the support structure springs toward the first ring and the second ring when the first ring is pulled outward relative to the second ring.

10 10. The lamp shade in accordance with claim 1, wherein the first ring of the support structure has a periphery provided with a plurality of support bars.

11. The lamp shade in accordance with claim 10, wherein each of the support bars of the first ring is substantially L-shaped.

15 12. The lamp shade in accordance with claim 10, wherein the first ring of the support structure has a central portion provided with a support portion supported by the support bars.